

PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Andrea MANGANINI, et al.

Attorney Docket No. Q68360

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For: METHOD FOR MANAGING THE TRANSITION FROM A RING FAILURE TO A
SPAN FAILURE IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS WITH A RING
TOPOLOGY

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

6. (Amended) A computer program comprising computer program code means adapted to carry out all the steps of the method according to claim 1 when said program is run on a computer.

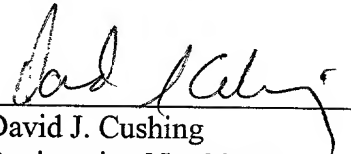
7. (Amended) A computer-readable medium having a program recorded thereon, said computer-readable medium comprising program code means adapted to carry out all the steps of the method according to claim 1 when said program is run in a computer.

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REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims are amended as follows:

6. (Amended) A computer program comprising computer program code means adapted to carry out all the steps of the method according to ~~claims 1 to 3~~claim 1 when said program is run on a computer.

7. (Amended) A computer-readable medium having a program recorded thereon, said computer-readable medium comprising program code means adapted to carry out all the steps of the method according to ~~claims 1 to 3~~claim 1 when said program is run in a computer.